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Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve Announces Statement of Support Signing

MILFORD, Mass. -- The Massachusetts Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) announces that Mayor Thatcher W. Kezer III of Amesbury will sign a STATEMENT OF SUPPORT (SOS) on Tuesday, October 16th. The SOS is a certificate that signifies an employer's support of all Federal and State laws regarding the employment and re-employment of members of the National Guard and Reserve.

In doing so, Kezer will join the leaders of more than 175 Massachusetts cities and towns that have signed Statements of Support since 9/11.

"What is so unique about this signing is that Mayor Kezer is the only elected leader of any community in Massachusetts who is a member of the National Guard or Reserve. Mayor Kezer is an officer in the Massachusetts Air National Guard assigned to the 253d Combat Communications Group, Otis ANG Base, Mass.," said David St. Germain, State Vice Chair of ESGR.

In addition to Kezer, the Chiefs of the Amesbury Fire Department and the Amesbury Police Department will also sign the SOS. Both town departments have members of the Guard and Reserve on staff.

The signing will take place at the Amesbury Town Hall, 62 Friend Street, Amesbury, Mass. at 10:30 a.m. on October 16, 2007.

For more information on the ESGR program, contact David St. Germain at (508) 994-2476.

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